House Resolution No.

Whereas, Boys and Girls Clubs of Saint Charles County builds character through everyday leadership and guidance in behavior and attitude; encourages young people of all nationalities, races, and creeds to join together in wholesome recreation and companionship; and provides positive adult mentors and role models in nationally recognized programs which help young people to succeed in schools, stay healthy, learn important life skills, pursue interests in the arts and sports, and explore vocational choices; and

Whereas, a tax-exempt organization which is governed by a thirty-two-member board of directors, Boys and Girls Clubs of Saint Charles County has two campuses which utilize the skills and knowledge of seven professional staff members to guide a varying number of trained volunteers as they provide services to more than 2,700 young people each year; and

Whereas, Boys and Girls Clubs of Saint Charles County enthusiastically has adopted the mission statement of the Boys and Girls Clubs of America to "inspire and enable all youth, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens"; and

Whereas, in addition to its service as a recreational outlet, Boys and Girls Clubs of Saint Charles County provides everyday guidance to youth through its "Street Smarts" program for 11-to-13 year olds, the "Torch" and "Keystone" groups for young people between the ages of 11 to 18, a three-part "Health and Life Skills" program, and an emphasis on education, reading, computer literacy, and other subjects; and

Whereas, on Saturday, February 14, 2004, the Boys and Girls Clubs of Saint Charles County will hold its Thirty-eighth Annual Crystal Ball fund-raiser at The Columns Banquet Center on Veterans Memorial Parkway in Saint Charles as a Gala Valentine Celebration replete with time for socializing, dining, dancing, and participating in a live auction:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar, ongoing history of Boys and Girls Clubs and to convey to all of those involved, especially staffers, volunteers, participants, and parents, this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of their past success and our best wishes for continued achievement far into the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Saint Charles County, Missouri.

Offered by Speaker Catherine L. Hanaway District No. 87

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second
Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and
correct copy of House Resolution No, adopted
, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker